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MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

RESOLUTION

TARIFFS

New Delhi, the 30th November 1959

No. 2(1)-T.R./59.—The Tariff Commission has submitted its Report on the continuance of protection to the Stearic Acid and Oleic Acid Industry on the basis of an inquiry undertaken by it under Sections 11(e) and 13 of the Tariff Commission Act, 1951. Its recommendations are as follows:—

- (1) Protection granted to the Stearic Acid and Oleic Acid Industry should be extended for a further period of three years from 1st January, 1960 at the existing rates of duty, i.e., 35 per cent *ad valorem* or 50 Naye Paise per lb., whichever is higher.
 - (2) The establishment of new units for the manufacture of stearic and oleic acids is not desirable and this fact should be taken into account by Government in issuing further licences.
 - (3) The Development Wing should explore the possibility of manufacture of acid oil by the existing and prospective producers of cotton seed soap stock for supply to the stearic and oleic acids industry.
 - (4) Every facility should be accorded to Navasari Oil Products Ltd. for early installation of a hydrogenation plant for which it has already placed orders.
 - (5) Indigenous sources of supply of buffalo tallow and other animal tallow should be explored.
 - (6) As soon as standard specifications for Oleic Acid and Stearic Acid are finalised the manufacturers should take necessary steps to ensure that the products manufactured by them are in accordance with the specifications and also obtain licences under the Certification Marks Act.
 - (7) The manufacturers of stearic and oleic acids should maintain their selling prices in fair relation to their cost of manufacture.
2. Government accept recommendation (1) and will take steps to implement it in due course.
 3. Government have taken note of recommendations (2) to (5) and steps will be taken to implement them as far as possible.
 4. The attention of the manufacturers of Stearic Acid and Oleic Acid is invited to recommendations (6) and (7).

ORDER

Ordered that a copy of the Resolution be communicated to all concerned and that it be published in the Gazette of India.

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